

2024 Kansas Statutes

8-143m. Annual commercial vehicle fee; issuance of commercial license plates; distribution of amounts collected. (a) On and after January 1, 2014, any truck or truck tractor registered for a gross weight of more than 10,000 pounds which is operating as a commercial vehicle shall, in addition to the annual fee prescribed under K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, pay an annual commercial vehicle fee as follows:

Weight Group	Vehicle Age	Fee
up to 12,000 lbs.	1 to 3	\$250.00
12,000 lbs.	4 to 6	200.00
12,000 lbs.	7 and older	150.00
16,000 lbs.	All Ages	250.00
20,000 lbs.	All Ages	250.00
24,000 lbs.	All Ages	250.00
26,000 lbs.	All Ages	300.00
30,000 lbs.	All Ages	300.00
36,000 lbs.	All Ages	300.00
42,000 lbs.	All Ages	350.00
48,000 lbs.	All Ages	350.00
54,000 lbs.	All Ages	350.00
60,000 lbs.	All Ages	400.00
66,000 lbs.	All Ages	400.00
74,000 lbs.	All Ages	400.00
80,000 lbs.	All Ages	400.00
85,500 lbs.	All Ages	400.00

(b) Truck or truck tractors registered under this section shall be eligible for apportioned registration under the provisions of K.S.A. 8-1,100 et seq., and amendments thereto.

(c) Upon the payment of the commercial vehicle fee and applicable registration fees under K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, except for vehicles registered under K.S.A. 8-1,100 et seq., and amendments thereto, the division shall provide for the registration of and the issuance of license plates for commercial motor vehicles in accordance with the provisions of this section. License plates issued under this section shall be permanent in nature and designed in such a manner as to remain with the commercial motor vehicle for the duration of the life span of the commercial motor vehicle or until the commercial motor vehicle is deleted from the owner's fleet. Such license plates shall be distinctive and shall contain the word "commercial" and there shall be no year date thereon. License plates issued under this section shall not be transferable to any other commercial motor vehicle, except that the unused registration and commercial vehicle fee may be transferred to another commercial motor vehicle which is registered at the same or greater weight.

(d) Amounts collected by the county treasurer as annual commercial vehicle fees under this section shall be remitted or distributed in the following manner:

(1) Amounts collected from non-Kansas-based motor carriers, shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the state general fund.

(2) Amounts collected from Kansas-based motor carriers shall be allocated and distributed in the same manner as taxes levied against motor vehicles under article 51 of chapter 79 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated.

(e) If an applicant registers a motor vehicle described under this section where such vehicle or vehicles are to have a tax situs in another county, then the county treasurer of the county registering such vehicle or vehicles shall collect the fees prescribed under this section and remit them to the county where the vehicle retains its tax situs. Any county treasurer registering a fleet registered under K.S.A. 8-1,101, and amendments thereto, shall remit the commercial vehicle portion of the fee to the county where the fleet is registered. Upon the transfer and receipt of fees under this subsection, the county treasurer of the receiving county shall remit or distribute such fees as provided in subsection (d).

(f) As used in this section, "commercial vehicle" means any self-propelled or towed motor vehicle in commerce that is used to transport property or passengers when the vehicle:

- (1) Has a gross weight or gross combination weight of 10,001 pounds or more;
- (2) is designed or used to transport 15 or more passengers, including the driver; or
- (3) is used to transport hazardous materials in a quantity requiring placarding.

The term "commercial vehicle" shall not include any motor vehicle required to pay a license fee under subsection (b)(6) of K.S.A. 8-143, and amendments thereto, or any motor vehicle valued under article 5a of chapter 79 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto.

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